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For: SKRP, ASTRAY, STRING, VACM	)	
ASSOCIATED WITH METABOLIC	)	
COUNTER	)	

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

The above-identified applicants respectfully request that the specification and claims be amended prior to examination as follows:

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